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the fact that the Boston Bazaar is not a provincial instrumentality: the knowledge that its proceeds are not spent in Boston or Massachusetts, but in maintaining a Beacon on the highest hill-top, & thus making a nation at salvation. The more effort to save the nation, saves the State that makes it. The State that can work for other States has done for itself a more effectual work than any other agency can do for it. As I say "let not Ohio & Western N.Y. be content with taking care of Ohio & W. N.Y. So I say, let not Philadelphia be content with ministering to herself. I know this is also your idea, & it is the idea of your resolution which speaks of all the States & all the instrumentalities. But, through some unfortunate

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innate oversight, that idea is not always carried out as the best interests of the cause demand that it should be. It may be I am hasty in this conclusion, & that you have already demonstrated it to be so, by appropriating $2.000 to the National Society. How gladly & joyfully will I hear your triumphant exultations over me, if such be the case. If you have not $2000 to appropriate, then I will say (not in triumph but in sorrow) that the policy of keeping at home as much as the Pa. Soc has hitherto done is proved to be a less successful one than ours of going away from home. In this instance as in Bunyan's "the more men give away the more they have."

I have observed it in hundreds of instances. The people who say "let us keep our money to

abolitionize our towns," are by no means the people whose towns are blossoming like abolition roses. No. The effort to abolitionize some other town, does that work.

The sum total of all this leads me to, that I would not advise to send any even the Best Special agent to do the work you mention; but would rely on the germ growth that will spring up in the part of the Mass.. & I would advise to send as much money as possible & as soon as possible to the National Society in N. York. Where the suffering for money is extreme. If the ladies there could say in England that the money they could wish sent to America should be spent by the Philadelphians in sustaining a National Society, since the State Society was but an arm by which to seek, defend & serve the former, (as the Mass. Soc. &) Their aid would flow because it ought to flow as they indicated on your State behalf. Their friends in Europe could divide their contributions without

weakening any part of the Wall of the Am. A. S. Zion. But till you do as we do — give all you get, & more, out of your own state, we shall get, because we ought to get, more foreign & Domestic aid than you. I speak exactly as I should were I a Philadelphian & you a Bostonian & just as directly & without circumlocution. For I know that the same wish animates both alike, — the wish to effect the greatest amount of Service to the Cause by the surest & best Methods. I think we have proved the method we use to be the most successful by actual experiment. You in Phila^a are more diligent than we & as devoted. Try our Method, & you will go far ahead of us in freedmen & consequently, thereupon, moral advance in your State, & great will be our joy at your deserved promotion over us; since we are sorry that your present policy does not do your heart justice.

Hastily but cordially & faithfully yours

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